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## WOMEN AND WOMEN

Where will the emancipation of women end?

The ratification of woman's suffrage by the West Virginia legislature leaves only two more states to be brought into line when the impossible will have been accomplished. For only a few years ago woman's suffrage was considered a chimera of the dreamers, the chalice at the end of the rainbow, and even the mere idea was laughed to scorn.

A hundred years ago woman was the ornament of the home, cherished and revered as a delicate personality to be petted and protected from all of the seamy side of life.

Today she is life itself—a potent factor in every phase of existence—a power domestically, spiritually, socially, commercially and politically.

She is a banker, a lawyer, a doctor, a merchant, a farmer, an artisan, a war worker, a preacher and a politician. If there are other erstwhile masculine fields for her to invade be sure she will soon be in them—and making good.

She no longer trembles at the dreaded displeasure of man, but in a few succinct words permits him to understand that she is always willing to listen to advice, but that her will is her own and will be exercised as she deems best. Her attitude of meek and gentle obedience has vanished.

In many cases we find the wife the full partner of the husband in business affairs, and such partnerships are invariably successful. As an established fact, women have invaded nearly every field of labor heretofore held sacred to man, and universal success has crowned her efforts.

The feminine mind has broadened and developed until it has become a wonder of the age.

A noted physician has even predicted that the day is coming when women will become the dominant factor in American life, and that man will recede to a status of secondary consideration.

This may or may not be true. But of one thing we are certain—woman has attained a pinnacle in public life which commands respect and consideration, and the man who ignores her potentiality will inevitably come to grief.

The power of our new womanhood is great even now. But what will it be a hundred years hence?

March, it seems, has been something of a windless month. That is, everywhere except in Washington.

## THINK THIS OVER

The supreme court of the United States has decided that incomes from stocks are exempt from income taxation.

The fortunes of our rich men are principally invested in stocks. They carry no great amount of actual cash in bank.

These rich men with their billions of dollars worth of stocks will pay no income tax on the enormous revenues from those stocks.

They can, if they choose, invest all of their wealth in stocks, thereby deriving their entire incomes from them, and escape the payment of any income tax at all.

It costs in the neighborhood of one billion dollars a year to run the government, and much of that amount must be raised by taxation.

If the rich man is not to pay his just proportion of the income tax, WHO MUST PAY IT FOR HIM?

We have no editorial comment to make on the ruling of the supreme court. That tribunal is presumed to be the fountain head of justice, and the law is undoubtedly as they have interpreted it.

But the fact that the rich man is to pay no income tax on his enormous holdings of stocks causes one to wonder if the poor man is to be required to "dig deeper and cough harder."

He has coughed much as it is.

Monarchists of Germany yearn nightly for an opportunity to place some one of the old regime on the now vacant throne, but they will hardly succeed. There may be civil strife for a time as in the recent flareup, but the people have had a taste of ruling themselves and are in no mind to let go of the reins. The mailed fist of kaiserdom no longer appeals to them.

## RAILWAY WAGE BOARD HAS BEEN COMPLETED

Conference Committee Representing Railroad Corporations and 16 Unions Effect Organization by Electing Whiter of Pennsylvania Chairman—Now Ready to Take Up Big Question of Money Consideration.

Washington, March 22.—Formation of the joint railroad wage board was completed here tonight by the conference committee representing the railroad corporations and the 16 railroad unions, which elected E. P. Whiter of the Pennsylvania railroad chairman. The bi-partisan body now is ready to begin consideration of the wage demands of the 2,000,000 workers made last August and which since have been twice before the president without a settlement being reached.

The board today began the task of reexamination of the voluminous records and data, gathered by the wage adjustment boards of the railroad administration with respect to the workers' claims. Contrary to the union forecast, the corporation representatives agreed to include these as part of the board's wage records and to employ them as far as practicable as a basis upon which to discuss the long drawn out controversy.

According to present indications, the board will not deal with the question as a whole until countless minor points of difference have been eliminated. Members were said to have proposed that the wage demands be taken up by classes, adjustments reached and individual controversies settled and then the basis of a general percentage of increase discussed.

The suggestion of the president that the board should give close study to the relationship between present railroad wages and the cost of living and also to the pay of labor in other lines of industry probably will not enter into the conference until towards the end. The disposition seemed to be to talk of "specifics rather than generalities" at the outset and on this

point, union leaders said they had won. They believed that when they had succeeded in averting "meandering discussions" they had broken away from the bunker which they said they had always met in wage meetings prior to federal control.

The railroad representatives explained that the Association of Railroad Executives had instructed them to enter the negotiations in a spirit of cooperation, but they reminded the union leaders that financial responsibilities rested on the shoulders of the corporations which must be considered when wage claims were under consideration. Reference was made, it was said, to the hearings now before the interstate commerce commission and the statement made that wage increases hinge upon higher rates which mean more revenue.

Union leaders scouted the report that their demands would aggregate an additional \$1,000,000,000 in railroad operating expenses. Spokesmen asserted that "no living man" could ascertain the exact amount which would be added to the pay rolls because of the intricacy of the wage scales. That there will be a heavy increase, the leaders admitted, but its proportions, they did not believe, would attain any such aggregate.

## COLBY SAYS MAKE

## RECORD PUBLIC

Washington, March 23.—Secretary Colby today wrote Senator Lodge, chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, asking that the evidence taken by the committee on the subject of his confirmation be made public, if it accorded with the usual practice. The text of the letter, as given out at the State Department follows:

"Will you permit me to express to you my appreciation of the very courteous reception I had from you and the members of your committee, on the occasion of my recent appearance before the committee?"

"I am hopeful that a way may be found to lift the secrecy which sur-

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rounds the evidence taken by the committee on the subject of my confirmation. While reluctant to make a request that may in any degree conflict with the usual practice of the committee, or anticipate its action, it would be very much appreciated by me if the whole record were given complete publicity."

## NOMINATION IS CONFIRMED

Washington, March 23.—The Senate late today confirmed the nomination of William Martin Williams, of Alabama, to be collector of internal revenue, replacing Daniel C. Roper, resigned.

## "BRANLEY DOLL" CAPTURED

Boston, March 21.—An Italian immigrant, who managed to remove from her trunk a large china doll, led to the discovery by customs officials today of 300 quarts of brandy hidden in various parts of the White Star liner Cretic from Mediterranean ports. The officers saw a woman hastily take a doll from her trunk and attempt to carry it away. They also noticed two other women on the pier were cuddling dolls in their arms. Upon investigation they found a gallon jug of brandy beneath the dress of the first doll and a quart bottle concealed in the clothing of each of the others.

A search of the vessel brought to light quantities of liquors stored in ventilators and lockers behind piles of life preservers. Most of it was found in the crew's quarters. No arrests were made.

## BIG FOUR IN SESSION

London, March 1.—Paul Mantoux, who was official interpreter to the peace conference in Paris and who is now director of the political section of the secretariat of the league of nations, has given the public a glimpse at the lighter side of the "Big Four"



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at work.

"Lloyd George," he said, "sat in a large comfortable arm chair by the fireside, and beside him was M. Clemenceau in another arm chair. President Wilson sat on their left facing a window and I was at the other end of a long table with Signor Orlando at my elbow. Conversation was often friendly and informal and sometimes when some unknown place was mentioned, a large map was brought in and, much to my delight, I had the privilege of seeing those four great men crawling on the floor."

"We had our moments of relaxation," he continued, "and when the council was waiting for some document the 'Big Four' told stories. President Wilson was brilliant, and had a fund of amusing anecdotes, which were always much enjoyed."

## NAVY TO EXHIBIT HUN SHIPS.

Five Vessels Allocated to U. S. May May Be Brought Here.

Washington March 19.—Five German surrendered warships allocated to the United States under the armistice terms, a battleship, a cruiser and three destroyers, will be brought to this country next month, it was announced today by the Navy Department.

The cruiser Frankfurt and three destroyers now at Roysth, Scotland, will be towed over by three mine sweepers and a transport. The battleship is the Ost-Fiseland, 22,400 tons, built in 1911, and a second line ship during the war.

The navy plans to exhibit the ships at Atlantic ports, it was said, in addition to a careful study of them by naval experts. Later they will be sunk at sea. Under the supreme council agreement they must be destroyed within a year after their arrival here.

## FIRE CAUSES DAMAGE

Chester, Mar. 22.—Fire which had its inception in the roof of the Chester Plumbing and Heating company, believed to have been caused by a defective flue, caused a heavy loss to this company and to A. B. Collins grocery store this afternoon. Paul Hardin's garage was threatened and part of it for a time looked like it was doomed, but the effective work of the fire department kept the flames in check. The buildings in which the foregoing concerns are located are

owned by Paul Hardin.

Paul Hardin's loss, which will be about \$3,000, is covered by insurance. The loss of the Chester Plumbing and Heating company and Collins', which will be heavy, have not been ascertained tonight, but are covered by insurance.

It was the most stubborn fire the fire department has had to fight in a long time. The smoke was so dense that it was difficult to enter the structures.

In the garage were a number of automobiles, but the firemen braved the terrific smoke and went in and saved the cars.

The greatest damage to Collins' and the Chester Plumbing and Heating company was done by water from the firemen's hose.

The fire started at about 4 o'clock this afternoon.

## ALIEN PLANT ENEMIES CAUGHT

The European corn borer may be present in sections of the country where it has not yet been discovered—but it may not. And it certainly would shortly have been in many sections where it does not exist if the United States Department of Agriculture, the other day, had not stopped a shipment of foreign broom corn

at the port of New York. The broom corn came from Venice and there were 97 bales of it—enough to scatter pretty well over the United States. And it was infested with the European corn borer. Inspectors of the Federal Horticultural Board, however, were on hand. They intercepted the broom corn and prevented a further scattering of the corn borer over the country. That was just before the Secretary of Agriculture promulgated a quarantine denying entry to the United States from all other countries of the stalks of various plants that serve as hosts to this pest.

The work of determining present distribution of the corn borer is going forward. It is now known to exist in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, and Pennsylvania. But portions of the shipment of broom corn in which the insect was originally brought to this country went to various States besides those now known through the broom factories. It has to be infested. Efforts are now being made to race possible infestation been found that there are such factories in 43 of the 48 States. The names are being supplied to State entomologists and other State officials, who are cooperating with the department in determining the distribution of the corn borer.



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